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Dr. William Gibson, CIA Political Scientist, Dies of Heart Attack

Dr. William M. Gibson, 47, political scientist with the Central Intelligence Agency here, died of a heart attack Friday in Doctors Hospital. He lived at 5007 Randall lane, Sumner, Md.

Dr. Gibson was born in Baltimore and held a B. A. degree from Richmond University. He later did graduate work at Harvard and Duke Universities, earning a Ph. D. from the latter.

A political science professor at Duke from 1934 to 1942, he then entered the Navy as a lieutenant commander. During World War II he did intelligence work for the Navy at San Diego and was discharged after three and one-half years service.

Dr. Gibson returned to teaching at Duke. He was with CIA here from 1947 until his death.

He was a member of a Baltimore Masonic lodge, Lambda Chi fraternity at Duke and the First Presbyterian Church of Durham, N. C.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Orene K. Gibson; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar M. Gibson of Baltimore; a brother, Allen P. Gibson of Lafayette, La., and a sister, Mrs. J. L. Lau of Baltimore.

Funeral services will be at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday at the Hines funeral home, 2901 Fourteenth street N.W. Burial will be at 10 a.m. in Arlington Cemetery.

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